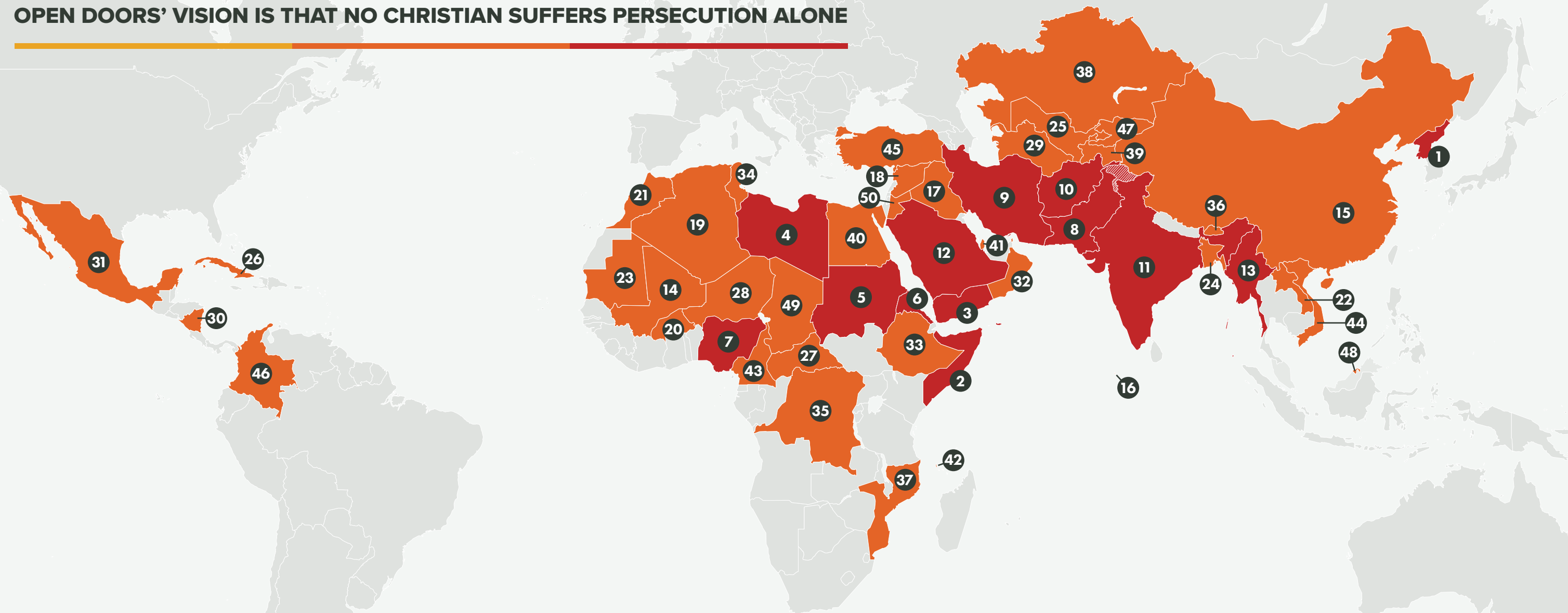


# WORLD WATCH LIST 2025

OPEN DOORS' VISION IS THAT NO CHRISTIAN SUFFERS PERSECUTION ALONE



## PERSECUTION LEVELS

- HIGH
- VERY HIGH
- EXTREME

- 1 North Korea
- 2 Somalia
- 3 Yemen
- 4 Libya
- 5 Sudan
- 6 Eritrea
- 7 Nigeria
- 8 Pakistan
- 9 Iran
- 10 Afghanistan

- 11 India
- 12 Saudi Arabia
- 13 Myanmar
- 14 Mali
- 15 China
- 16 Maldives
- 17 Iraq
- 18 Syria
- 19 Algeria
- 20 Burkina Faso

- 21 Morocco
- 22 Laos
- 23 Mauritania
- 24 Bangladesh
- 25 Uzbekistan
- 26 Cuba
- 27 Central African Republic
- 28 Niger
- 29 Turkmenistan
- 30 Nicaragua

- 31 Mexico
- 32 Oman
- 33 Ethiopia
- 34 Tunisia
- 35 Congo DR (DRC)
- 36 Bhutan
- 37 Mozambique
- 38 Kazakhstan
- 39 Tajikistan
- 40 Egypt

- 41 Qatar
- 42 Comoros
- 43 Cameroon
- 44 Vietnam
- 45 Turkey
- 46 Colombia
- 47 Kyrgyzstan
- 48 Brunei
- 49 Chad
- 50 Jordan

# ABOUT THE LIST

The World Watch List is compiled by Open Doors’ analysts using real-world data from experts on the ground in 150 countries. Persecution in each country is recorded using a points system which tracks violence and pressure. This measures the number and severity of violent incidents against Christians and the degree of pressure exerted against the practice of their faith in 5 spheres of life.



### PRESSURE

Degree of pressure in 5 spheres of Christian life

PRIVATE LIFE

FAMILY LIFE

COMMUNITY LIFE

NATIONAL LIFE

CHURCH LIFE



Maximum score for each section: 16.7



### VIOLENCE

Number and severity of violent incidents against Christians and church



Maximum score: 16.7



MAX SCORE  
= 83.3

+






MAX SCORE  
= 16.7

=

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MAX SCORE  
= 100

## PERSECUTION LEVELS

-  **HIGH**  
41-60 points
-  **VERY HIGH**  
61-80 points
-  **EXTREME**  
81-100 points

Every country on the list is ranked as having very high or extreme levels of persecution, showing the intensity of persecution against Christians.

